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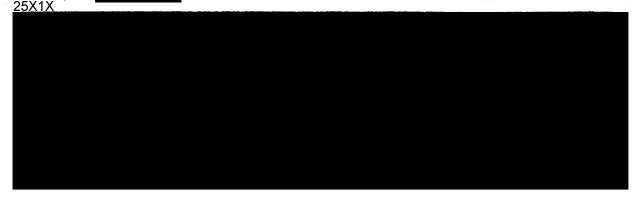
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it was rumored that the NKPA commander in chief, KANG Kon, was assassinated by one of his own followers. The date of the assassination was not known.

- As of early September 1950, the members of the military committee under KIM Il-sung were: CH OE Yong-kon, PAK Il-u, CH CNG Chun-taek, PAK Honyong, and KIM Ch'aek. The seventh member is possibly HONG Myong-hi.
- On 15 September 3,000 NKPA troops in 75 trucks of U.S., Soviet and Japanese manufacture were seen at Kum-ri (129-14, 36-38) riding in the direction of Ulchin (129-24, 37-00). Ten of the trucks pulled guns of unknown size. The convoy included six jeeps and three U.S. weapons carriers. The convoy was followed by 4 large light tanks, 8 medium tanks, and 2 small tanks.
- The above troops were equipped with Soviet rifles, sub-machine guns, U.S. carbines, and M-1 rifles and were dressed in new uniforms, caps and shoes.
- The troops consisted of remnants of the 15 and 48 Regiments, the 15 Division, and the 574 Unit. These remnants were ordered from various battle areas and were gathered at Yongyang (129-06, 36-40) where they were supplied with new clothing.
- The majority of these troops were South Korean volunteers with an 6。 average of seven or eight NKPA veterans in each platoon.
- On 17 September 1950, 100 NKPA troops scattered from Ponghwa-myon 7. (128-49, 36-16-5) and began walking in various directions.

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- 8. On 18 September 1950 six Soviet trucks loaded with ammunition of an unknown type were seen at Yongyang moving toward Doanni (sic) (129-02, 36-31).
- 9. On 19 September 1950 3 large tanks of an unknown type, 2 medium tanks and 6 large trucks were seen leaving Doanni for Yongyang. The truck bumpers

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8 September of Lieutenant General KANG Kon, the North Korean Chief

